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Hello. You're on this e-mail list because you requested to be on it or some mysterious Internet entity added you to it.

As always, if you prefer not to receive our newsletter (or if you receive duplicates) just let us know. Reply to this e-mail and type "newapr" at the start of your message.

SUMMER ++++++

Hey, it's summer. You should be on the road, not reading this.

NEW PRODUCT ++++++

220/250 VOLT SURGE PROTECTOR

An essential for anyone who travels with a dual voltage computer. Electrical surges can be a nightmare overseas, and our new 220/250 Volt surge protector solves the problem. A nice unit: also has a RJ11 phone jack for telephone line surge protection, power and surge indicators, and a 3 year manufacturer guarantee with a \$5,000 equipment damage refund. Also includes a phone cord. For equipment under 1500 watts. Wall plug style is British grounded, so other places you'll also need a grounded adapter. The price is reasonable: \$25.00. It's at:

<http://www.walkabouttravelgear.com/elect.htm>

Also, we have started to finally get some backpacks in from Eagle Creek. Currently we have World Journeys, Endless Journeys, and Cargo Switchback Plus available. Remember we match prices, no sales tax unless you live in Utah, and free USA shipping on orders over \$200.00. The backpacks are at:

<http://www.walkabouttravelgear.com/pack.htm>

TRAVEL TIP ++++++

This month's useful travel tip comes from Paul Mathews.

Battery advice.

When traveling with battery operated devices - always start with fresh new batteries, test them in the device they will be used with and THEN leave the batteries in that device BUT reverse one. This will assure that the batteries are where they belong and that they won't be dead when needed.

See all the other travel tips at:

<http://www.walkabouttravelgear.com/tips.htm>

#### INTERNET RECOMMENDATION ++++++

##### Europe Your Way

For those who would like to do Europe in the Walkabout style, but want someone else in charge of the details? Europe Your Way offers escorted backpacking tours designed to free you not control you.

Europe Your Way is at:

<http://home1.gte.net/goeurope>

#### WALKABOUT TRAVEL RECOMMENDATION ++++++

Copan, Honduras. Copan is an ancient Mayan city, perhaps the most impressive ruins of that civilization. Temples, plazas, incredible carved stelae (stone pillars) portraying the ancient rulers. There is also a very well preserved ball court, where the object of the game was to get a small ball through a small hole high off the ground. Salaries were probably lower than in the NBA, but the stakes were higher; losers were killed.

Honduras is an excellent travel destination, especially for those on a budget. Prices are still inexpensive and there is much to see. The Bay Island offer incredible snorkeling and scuba diving as well

The town of Copan Ruinas (increasingly referred to as just Copan) is about 1 km from the ruins; the ruins are easily accessible by foot from the town. There are several hotels, but they can filled up at the end of the day. Our recommendation is Hotel Los Gemelos, with a nice cool garden patio. Doubles are around \$5.00. Copan can be reached by bus from San Pedro Sula; about 5 hours and a couple of dollars. If you bring your own chicken, you'll fit in with the locals.



Recommended gear: As with all tropical destinations, pretty much everything on the bugs page:

<http://www.walkabouttravelgear.com/bugs.htm>

Also, a water purifier is highly recommended in all of Central America:

<http://www.walkabouttravelgear.com/health.htm>

Recommended guidebook: Lonely Planet's Central America on a Shoestring.

<http://www.walkabouttravelgear.com/planet.htm>

Copan's official website is at:

<http://www.honduras.net/copan/>

OTHER STUFF ++++++

As always, explore the world now.

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